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A PROCLAMATION OF THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA, PROCLAIMING THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY, 2012, AS BLACK HISTORY MONTH IN THE CITY OF NORMAN.

- § 1. WHEREAS, in 1926, Dr. Carter G. Woodson established the observance of African American History Week for the purpose of revealing and honoring the contributions, achievements, and involvement of African American people in the development of American democracy; and
- § 2. WHEREAS, this year's national theme "Black Women in American Culture and History" honors African American women and the myriad of roles they played in the shaping of our nation; and
- § 3. WHEREAS, Ada Lois Sipuel Fisher challenged education inequality and was a key figure in the Civil Rights movement in Oklahoma and in national, state and local history; and
- § 4. WHEREAS, Clara Luper was a civic leader, school teacher, and a pioneering leader in the American Civil Rights Movement by challenging segregation in Oklahoma; and
- § 5. WHEREAS, African Americans have played a central role in Norman's history and have contributed to the vitality of our community; and
- § 6. WHEREAS, Black History Month encourages unity and promotes the American ideal of equal education, social, and economic opportunity for all citizens.

## NOW, THEREFORE, I, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA:

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§ 7. Do hereby proclaim the month of February, 2012, as Black History Month in the City of Norman and invite all citizens to join me in celebrating the diversity and character of our community.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 14th day of February, 2012.

ATTEST:

City Clerk

Mayor

